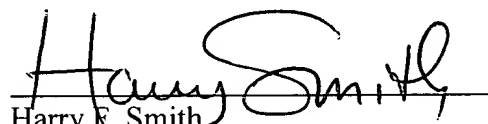


A³ Cond: certificate; sending back (1005) in response to the virus-free certificate request the received virus-free certificate.--

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment removes the multiple dependencies from the European Application. The foregoing amendment also rewrites certain dependent claims into independent form. A favorable consideration that results in the early allowance of pending claims 1-16 is earnestly solicited.

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